

St. Teath Parish Council.
Minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2013.
Delabole Methodist Church Room.
The meeting opened at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs. G. Keat, (Chairman), A. Stacey, L. Rose, M. Fox, A. Woollard, P. Clark, J. Nethercot, T. Livingstone.

In attendance: S. Theobald, Clerk and Minute Taker, PCSO T. Groves (off duty).

Members of the public present: S. Goodman, A. Roots, W. Merrilees, Mr and Mrs Chapman, S. Crooks, G. Burrell, C. Burrell, K. Edgehill.

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	<p>Apologies: None.</p> <p>Confidentiality: Explained by the Chairman for the benefit of all.</p> <p>Declarations of Interest: In respect of items on the agenda. None. Gifts in excess of £50. None.</p> <p>Dispensations applied for: None.</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting held on May 20th 2013: Acceptance proposed by Cllr. T. Livingstone, seconded by Cllr. L. Rose. Unanimous.</p> <p>Cllr. Woollard questioned why payment had been made to Dura Sport when he had specifically required payment be withheld until he had examined the documents setting out the terms and conditions of any grant awarded to the Cricket Club by SITA. The Clerk had seen the grant documents and was satisfied that all conditions had been met. As a debt collection agency was pressing for payment, and the cheque had been signed off some 9 days earlier, it was considered prudent to settle the outstanding account.</p> <p>Matters Arising: Cllr. Fox having provided Council with a list of repairs needed to improve the bus shelter in St Teath, it was agreed that the work should go ahead, Parish Council to pay for any materials purchased, work to be carried out by volunteers from the community.</p> <p>At this point the meeting was adjourned, 7.05pm, to hear submissions from those wishing to be co opted onto this council.</p> <p>Mr W. Merrilees told members that he had lived in Delabole for 19 years, was passionate about the future of his village and would like to be a part of this new Council.</p> <p>Mr S. Goodman had lived all his life, so far, in Delabole, was interested in the day to day running of the community and felt he could bring assistance and new thinking to this Council.</p> <p>Ms A. Roots, a Delabole resident, working in the local shop, (part time) helping at a local toddler and baby nursery whilst studying for a degree. She felt she could bring a young person's perspective into the discussions of this Council.</p> <p>Thanking all three for their submissions, Cllr. Keat asked that the applicants leave the meeting for a short while.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed that all applicants be co opted to serve on this Council.</p> <p>The applicants returned and signed 'Declarations of Acceptance of Office'. The meeting was reconvened at 7.15pm.</p>

2013-06-01 2013-06-02	<p>Planning Applications: None.</p> <p>Decisions Received:</p> <p>PA11/04993. Installation of 2x50kw wind turbines on a 29.6m mast (amended to 24.0m) Carkeen Farm, St Teath. CC approved.</p> <p>PA13/00669. Construction of retirement dwelling. 22, Rockhead, Delabole. CC approved.</p> <p>PA13/03673. Demolition of existing sub standard property and construction of new dwelling. Allendale, Knights Mill, St Teath. CC approved.</p> <p>PA13/02427. Construction of agricultural barn for use as animal shelter/fodder store/ equipment store/general purpose. Land East of Misty Corner. Rockhead, Delabole. CC approved.</p> <p>PA13/04302. Application for non material amendment to E1/2006/02318. Detail filed in minute book. Rockhead Farm, Delabole. CC approved.</p> <p>PA13/03606. Work to beech tree (T1) covered by TPO. The Old Vicarage, Whitewell Road, St Teath. CC approved.</p>	
2013-06-03	<p>Accounts:</p> <p>Services supplied and salaries £3588.59, repairs, replacements and administration £9973.13 agreed for payment. A balance in all accounts of £43601.55 was verified by reconciliation and signed as correct by Cllr. G. Keat.</p> <p>The Clerk reported a donation of £500 had been received from Environmental Assistance to be used to provide a drainage system on the BMX track. A further £20.58 had been collected in W.E. Lugg and Son's garage, this had also been banked and put under the BMX heading.</p> <p>The Clerk sought agreement for her to purchase a copy of the 9th Edition of Charles Arnold Baker, Local Council Administration. This was agreed.</p>	
2013-06-04	<p>Cornwall Council Matters: It was understood that Cllr. Lugg was attending a meeting in Liskeard, therefore there was no report at this time.</p> <p>No acknowledgement or reply had been received to the letters sent to Cllr. Lugg on 18th April and 22nd May</p> <p>Cllr. Merrilees felt that as no replies were forthcoming from Cllr. Lugg to letters sent to him by this council it would be prudent to insert the phrase 'please reply by <i>date</i>' in all future communications from this Council to Cllr. Lugg. This was agreed.</p>	
2013-06-05	<p>Police Report: PCSO Groves was happy to report a fall in the crime rate in our area. Cllr. Clark told the officer that drug paraphernalia was repeatedly being found around Delabole playing field. PCSO Groves was aware of the problem. Cllr. Rose asked if any action had been taken in light of the incident reported, and witness statement given by him, back in March, and was told it was found to be a false accusation. No further action was expected.</p> <p>Cllr. Woollard asked that parking restrictions be enforced at the junction of High Street and Pengelly but was told that the police no longer have the authority to address parking problems. This was the responsibility of Traffic Enforcement Officers, but it was likely they would only mount a patrol once a week if requested to attend.</p> <p>PCSO Groves could only recommend that a safety barrier be placed outside the local shop to stop people parking on this junction. The effort to get this installed would have to come from the community. He suggested Dan Rogerson, MP, might be contacted to lend weight to the argument for this measure. Clerk to write letter.</p>	Clerk.

<p>2013-06-06</p>	<p>PCSO Groves was now in possession of all dates for forthcoming PC meetings and would endeavour, along with colleagues, to attend.</p> <p>Playing Fields:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. St Teath. It was stated that the helicopter play equipment was nearing the end of its useful life and would need to be replaced in the near future. 2. The Green. Dog mess had been found in the grass and stones were again being thrown from the paths onto the grass. 3. King George V, Delabole. Cllrs. Woollard and Nethercot would find out whether the football playing youngsters wanted a net or target wall against which to practise their goal scoring. This matter to be held over to next meeting. <p>Cllr. Clark told members it was his intention to raise the level at the centre of the BMX track with soil, which he would supply, to alleviate the problem of water collecting in the dip which was causing a problem at the moment. Consideration was now given to Cllr. Woollard's proposal, (original) namely: "The Parish Council return any monies to the Cricket Club and not be a part of the project of the all weather pitch further than to continue and amend the Cricket Club's lease to accommodate this and its possible consequences". Cllr. Keat explained first, councillors must vote on whether or not to discuss this proposal. Drawing upon a written report by Sarah Mason (Cornwall Association of Local Councils), as to the correctness of all procedures thus far, Councillor Keat handed Councillors copies of e-mails and discussions, in chronological order, to assist new Councillors in their understanding of the current issues. Councillor Woollard also presented background information.</p> <p>The meeting was again adjourned to allow Ms Edgehill to speak. 7.50pm. Following this Council's support of Ms Edgehill's plan for the creation of more Bridleways (Minute ref: 2013-04-11) she now sought approval to get Bridleway status for Green Lane. Ms Edgehill had been told (by ?) that this footpath was owned by St Teath Parish Council but was informed that this was not the case. Green Lane, being in private ownership, she would need to contact the various individual owners and seek their approval. Meeting reconvened at 7.55pm.</p> <p>The question was now put "with their full understanding of the events leading up to Councillor Woollard's proposal, and now sufficiently debated, did members wish to discuss the proposal on the table or adopt the 'six month rule' (standing order no. 32 and 36b) to discuss the proposal no more?". Cllr. Rose proposed (1st proposal) No Further Discussion. This was seconded by Cllr. Livingstone. A show of hands was called for, at which point Cllr. Woollard wished to put a counter proposal (2nd proposal) "That his original proposal be further discussed". Seconded by Cllr. Clark. It was pointed out that, dependant upon the outcome of the vote taken on the first proposal, the second proposal may be negated. The Chairman ruled a show of hands on both proposals. For proposal 1. (against any further discussion) 4 in favour, 3 against, 4 abstentions. Cllr. Woollard now requested that 'voters be named'. (SO no.10) Allowed. Cllrs. Keat, Rose, Fox and Livingstone in favour. Cllrs. Woollard, Stacey and Clark against. Cllrs. Roots, Nethercot, Merrilees and Goodman declined to</p>	<p><i>Cllrs AW &JN.</i></p> <p><i>Cllr Clark.</i></p>
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	<p>vote. A show of hands was then called for the counter proposal “that Cllr. Woollard’s original proposal be further discussed” Cllrs. Woollard, Clark and Stacey in favour, Cllrs. Keat, Rose, Livingstone and Fox against. Cllrs. Roots, Nethercot, Merrilees and Goodman declined to vote. It was therefore resolved that there should be no discussion on Cllr. Woollard’s original proposal.</p> <p>Cllr. Keat said how ‘surprised’ and also ‘saddened’ she had been to receive an ill considered and inaccurate e-mail from Cllr. Clark in which several unfounded accusations and inaccuracies had been voiced. Cllr. Rose wished it be recorded that he felt the whole ‘sorry saga’ had been unnecessary and the actions of certain Councillors had caused ill feeling within the Council. They had thrown unwarranted suspicion on the Clark and other members of this Council. He did not appreciate the confrontational attitude adopted by Cllr. Clark when that Councillor visited Cllr. Rose in his home. As Vice Chairman, Cllr. Rose felt he had every right to meet with the Chairman and Clerk to seek clarification of what was being said by telephone and in e-mails. Having met with the aforementioned he was satisfied that the accusations being made were spurious and without foundation. Cllr. Rose felt Cllr. Clark’s reference to a ‘kangaroo court’ was ‘facile and fatuous’ and sought an apology for the use of this phrase. Cllr. Rose accepted Cllr. Clark’s apology.</p> <p>Cllr. Woollard denied that he had exceeded his remit in any way. This matter now being concluded, Cllr. Keat felt it appropriate to apologise to Council, and new Councillors in particular, for the unusually ‘heated’ discussion of this business but impressed upon Council the need, when conducting future business, for all business to be concluded without ambiguity, leaving no reason or opportunity for further discussion or recrimination.</p> <p>Delabole Public Toilets: The Clerk reported that some of the work requested be carried out by Cornwall Council had now been completed but certain tasks were still outstanding. A quantity of tiles were seen to be coming off the wall in the ‘Gents’. Cllr. Clark had assessed the possible cost of repair and the Clerk had sought a second opinion from another local tradesman. Council agreed that a third opinion be sought from Cllr. Goodman, who would report his findings to the Clerk before any decision was reached as to who should be asked to carry out the repair necessary.</p> <p>Election to Committees: The following Councillors agreed to serve: <u>Standing Order Committee:</u> Cllrs.G. Keat (Ch), T.Livingstone, A.Woollard, J.Nethercot, plus two others after further consideration. <u>Cemetery Management Committee:</u> Cllrs. L. Rose (Ch), P. Clark, A. Stacey and M. Fox plus two others after further consideration. <u>Finance Committee:</u> Cllrs. G. Keat (Ch), L. Rose, A. Woollard, A. Roots, P. Clark plus one other after further consideration. <u>Playing Fields and Open Spaces Committee:</u> Cllrs. G. Keat (Ch), J. Nethercot,</p>	<p><i>Cllr G’man.</i></p>
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	<p>A. Roots, P. Clark, A. Woollard plus one other after further consideration. <u>Planning Committee:</u> Cllrs. G. Keat (Ch), L. Rose, W. Merrilees, M. Fox, P. Clark plus one other after further consideration.</p>	
2013-06-09	<p>Correspondence: All e-mails, reports, minutes recorded and data supplied in relation to agenda item 2013-06-06 (3) available in hard copy and filed in minute book. No other correspondence received.</p>	
2013-06-10	<p>Meetings Attended: None.</p>	
2013-06-11	<p>Matters of Public Interest: Cllr. Stacey asked why the Clerk had made reference (in an e-mail from the Clerk to Cllr. Woollard) to the Carnival Committee ‘running roughshod over the Parish Council’. It was pointed out that this reference pertained to a previous Clerk, Council and Regime when much had been agreed and sanctioned without any discussion in Full Council. Cllr. Stacey sought this Council’s permission to use King George V Playing Field throughout the week of Delabole Carnival and requested the flag of St Piran be flown the whole week. Both requests were granted. The Clerk invited all members to attend Code of Conduct training at either of two venues on two dates, namely Bodmin Shire House on July 25th. (Cllrs. AW, WM, AR, PC) Wadebridge Town Hall on August 8th. (Cllrs. LR, GK, MF, TL, PC) The Clerk reported that the decorative planter outside Delabole Post Office was broken beyond repair. Instructed to seek sponsorship for new planters. A suggestion from the Footpath Contractor that path No 549/2/1, Fore Street St Teath to Trevilly Lane, should be downgraded from ‘Gold’ status to ‘Silver’ was agreed. Cornwall Council to be approached to action this. Cllr. Clark proposed, Cllr. Woollard seconded, a message of ‘Good Wishes’ be placed in the official Carnival programmes of both Delabole and St Teath. Resolved unanimously this be done at a cost in the region of £25. Cllr. Keat agreed to compose a suitable message. Cllr. Clark proposed, Cllr. Woollard seconded, that Delabole War Memorial should be redesigned to render it more visible and make it a central point of focus for the village. It was resolved that this Council consult with the British Legion, (Delabole Branch), before initiating any alterations. Cllr. Rose reported litter seen being dumped in the lay-by in Delabole High Street. He had given the Clerk the registration number of the vehicle used to carry this rubbish. The registration number, name and address of driver, and the company name had been reported by the Clerk to Refuse and Recycling at Cornwall Council for action. Cllrs. Stacey, Clark and Merrilees offered their apologies as they would be unable to attend the next meeting due to Carnival commitments. It was suggested the date of the July meeting be changed. Clerk to inquire if the venue would be available on another date.</p> <p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm</p> <p>Next meeting to be held on Monday, July 15th 2013 St Teath Community Centre. Starting at 7pm.</p>	<p><i>Clerk.</i></p> <p><i>Clerk.</i></p> <p><i>Cllr. Keat.</i></p> <p><i>All Cllrs.</i></p> <p><i>Clerk.</i></p>